

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

A couple of years ago (during the past city administration) there was a glove factory which flirted with coming to Elba. Fingers were pointed in every direction hunting blame when the company went to Georgiana with their 200-plus employment, instead of landing in Elba, even though the concessions and cash input they wanted from the city was, well strong. Enter 1999 - it is now a moot question, according to news reports. The company closed their Butler County plant for the Christmas holidays and has not reopened. The City of Georgiana was notified on January 29th that the factory would not be reopening due to a lost contract.

A friend returning recently from "down under" brought us a couple of newspapers from Australia, knowing our hunger for such items. Several things struck us while reading *The Sunday Age*, from Melbourne. First, they seem to be very American connected ... There was a lot of Hollywood talk, while boxer Mike Tyson and LNA Pro basketball were covered extensively. American politics appeared to be off limits while the country debated the outcome of political splits at home. Editors were concerned with education (literacy and class size), smoking and saving old houses. People are people - and amazing regardless of where you are. An example was in reports of recent real estate in Melbourne. Apparently, most homes, if not houses, are sold at auction and therein lies the typical human (and/or American) spirit. An "unremodeled" house sold at auction for a hefty sum (\$194,000 Australian). Immediately they sold a vacant lot next door, exactly the same size as the one with the house. Well, the empty lot sold for \$10,000 more than the one with the house already built! These folks would make great U.S. citizens, because that is the American way in many auctions!

The Aussies are reported to have a great sense of humor. The funny note of the day's newspaper was the grandmother riding in the taxi cab and seeing the multitude of shiny new cars whizzing by. She said she would like to have all the money spent on fancy vehicles. The cab driver disagreed, saying he would rather have the money OWED on those cars. We side with the cab driver!

A recent Saturday morning phone call got us all excited. Mrs. Mary Alice Wiese has been in the hospital and pretty sick. Well, she called the office complaining because she didn't get her *Elba Clipper*. Now we are not happy when our subscribers miss their paper, but are thrilled when a long-time loyal reader gets well enough to care AND make the phone call herself. Oh, we took a copy of the *Clipper* to her room at the Elba Hospital. Home and got there to find she was sitting in her bed-side chair ... reading. Ain't life great!

President Bill Clinton has made some gross mistakes during the past couple of years. He complained about his problems when going to the American people "lawyer talk" responses to these problems. However, he has apparently finally gotten over it and because last Friday he responded to the Senate vote not to kick him out of office with the humble words he should have used in the beginning. Many of the people who are upset over his actions had their emotions triggered by public statements like, "It is according to how you define it." Now, let's leave further discussion of this matter to the historians of a future era.

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About Elba High School By: Johnny Dunn Assistant Principal

There has been a name change recently from vocational education to career/technical education. The career/technical courses at Elba High School continue to be among the most successful programs in the pre-vocational and occupational skills, to explore careers, and to prepare individuals to meet the basic requirements of the world of work. Upon completion of most career/technical courses, students may obtain employment or continue their education and training in college or trade school. The career/technical programs at Elba High School are offered as part of the total educational program. The courses are designed and scheduled so that students can take any subject they need for personal development and graduation.

The career/technical courses available at EHS are organized into six areas of study. The areas are agri-science, automotive technology, business education, cooperative education, and consumer science, and welding.

All these programs have active youth organizations to supplement their courses. The youth programs are FFA, FBLA, VICA, and FHA. The achievements of these youth clubs are known state-wide.

The public is urged to become more familiar with the programs offered. The public is always welcome at the school and is encouraged to support the programs. The administration at EHS is proud of the job they are doing done by the students and instructors.

Elba High School has received the ACTE 100 Award in recognition of outstanding commitment to vocational education through 100% staff enrollment in ACTE. EHS is one of 100 schools chosen from all across the United States because of our instructors, parent support and community involvement, but most of all because of our class act students that work very hard in their commitment to further their vocational education.

I am very excited to be part of the Elba High School family. Our academy is second to none. The academics, athletics and career/technical programs are #1. The parents and the students of Elba should be very proud of what is taking place.

I am especially proud of our number 1 ranking on the Alabama High School Graduation Exam. This just shows the involvement of our parents, teachers and students working together for a better tomorrow. All our students need to be pushed to the limit regardless of what they go to college or a career/technical field.

I really appreciate the opportunity to be at Elba High School. I invite each of you to come visit our school and see how dedicated our teachers and students are.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, February 8, 1999, investigated the following incidents: two thefts of property, one assault, one possession of a forged instrument, one carrying a weapon without a permit, one death investigation, two trespassing, two harassments, and one possession of marijuana.

The following arrests were made during the week: one for disorderly conduct, one for assault, one for harboring, and one for possession of marijuana.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: two for no driver's license, seven for speeding, two for driving while driver's license are revoked, one for an expired tag, and one for leaving the scene of an accident.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8 - Possible prowler reported in Morrow Village (1:45 a.m.); River stage - 5.96 feet (6:59 a.m.). Routine activity.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9 - River stage - 5.69 feet (6:13 a.m.); Elba Rescue Squad dispatched to a residence at Garrett Street (8:18 a.m.); Alarm at Haywood's Drug Store and Beauty Shop (8:40 a.m.).

Wreck reported at the intersection of U.S. Hwy. 84W and Simmons Street (5:46 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to the wreck at the intersection of U.S. Hwy. 84W and Simmons Street (5:54 p.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Jackson's Hospital in Montgomery (3:23 p.m.); Fire department dispatched to Cash Brothers' Leasing on Larkin Road (5:38 p.m.).

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14 - Elba Rescue Squad dispatched to a residence on Payne Street (5:55 a.m.); River stage - 4.91 feet (6:25 a.m.); Elba General Hospital to Jackson's Hospital (7:01 p.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Jackson's Hospital in Montgomery (4:22 p.m.); Disturbance reported on Carolyn Street (5:57 p.m.); Disturbance reported on Larkin Road (5:38 p.m.).

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10 - River stage - 75.42 (6:43 a.m.); Disturbance reported at Kendrick Apis. (6:48 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Lee Street (12:08 p.m.); Wreck reported at the bridge on U.S. Hwy. 84E (3:58 P.M.); Fire department dispatched to a fire alarm at a residence on North Claxton (4:22 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence in the Friendship Community (5:57 p.m.); Disturbance reported on Carolyn Street (5:57 p.m.).

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11 - River stage - 5.24 feet (6:28 a.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Southeast Alabama Medical Center in Dothan (5:51 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Kendrick Apis. (9:30 p.m.).

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12 - Alarm at The Big Little Store on U. S.

same time period were: Destiny Patterson, Leslie Compton Gerrie Ennis, Ollie Taylor, Ella Robinson, John Dillard, Johnnie Carter, Randal Sasser, Jimmie Zeb Scott, Scott Flowers, Eloise Goosley, Thomas Trimm, Pearlie Joshua, Jimmy Lashley, Dorothy Linton, Timothy Miles, Corine English, Wanda Messick, Mallie Hudson, Joshua Hughes, Belinda Nelson, Jimmy Lashley, Estelle Rainey, Tammy Grey, Joshua Magwood, Donny Stackhouse, and Iris Tanks.

Persons discharged during the

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The 1.5 million square foot Boeing production plant located on 410 acres in Decatur's Industrial Park is 60 percent complete and is expected to be finished by the end of the year. The first rocket is to be produced and shipped out of the facility by March 2000. Boeing's Delta IV rocket production plant expects to produce 40 rockets annually to be offered to commercial launch customers in telecommunication as well as to the U.S. government. Boeing currently has hired approximately 60 workers at the plant with employment expected to grow to 600 workers in 1999 and 2000.

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There are similar examples of such responsive, flexible partnerships between industry and Alabama two-year colleges in all regions of the state. The future development and refinement of partnerships to better prepare the state's work force for high-skill, high-wage jobs is imperative. Alabama's two-year colleges are the key to preparing the state's work force for the next century.

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Booth spaces are \$20 each, and are available inside and outside the facility with spaces for food vendors also.

For more information contact Deborah Davis, 334/684-3655, Ext. 6421; Wynell Stafford, Ext. 6422.

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LIFESTYLES

New Arrival

AVERY JOE THARPE

Robert and Bertha Ellis announce the birth of their first great grandson, Avery Joe Tharpe, to Jody and Carol Tharpe, on Jan. 25, 1999, in Sylacauga, Ala.

The new arrival is also the grandson of Charlene and Joe Tharpe of Alexander City, Al., and the first great-grandson of Minnie D. Hudson.

The baby was born eight weeks early, and is now in the NICU at Baptist Montclair Hospital in Birmingham. Prayer is requested for the baby and his family.

Sessions announces

Elba area service academy nomination

United States Senator Jeff Sessions announced today that he has nominated an Elba student for appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Daniel Matthew Murdoch, son of Liz and Mickey Murdoch, will now compete nationwide with other nominees. The prospective academies will offer the majority of appointments by May of this year.

"This young man is one of the best and the brightest students in America," Sessions said. "I'm proud to play a role in selecting candidates for our service academies."

Christina Cook is on Dean's list at UAB

Christina Cook has earned placement on the Dean's List at The University of Alabama at Birmingham for the 1998 fall term. Christina's grade point average was 3.8.

Deadline For Social News Is Monday!



- Crystal stemwear
- China
- Pewter

Bridal Florist & Gilt
807-3422



Diane Carett, from CEC presents check to Red Cross representative.

CEC program provides money for disaster relief

Covington Electric employees began selling Christmas tree fire alarms in November.

The alarms look like round Christmas tree ornaments, but when they detect temperatures above 115°F they emit a piercing scream, and that screaming could save a family's life.

According to John Churnley, director of the Covington County

Chapter of the American Red Cross, the Red Cross attributes nearly 600 fires a year to Christmas trees. Ignited trees cause an average of 33 deaths, 117 injuries and \$23 million in property damage annually.

The Christmas season, CEC donated all proceeds from its sale of the Christmas tree fire alarms to the Red Cross for disaster relief.

Sons of the American Revolution to meet

The Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), Wiregrass Chapter, is meeting today (Thursday, Feb. 18), at noon at Po Folks Restaurant on the bypass in Enterprise.

The meeting is open to all active and former members of SAR, their families and friends.

To be recognized at the meeting will be Miss Jennifer Deal, a Carroll High School (Ozark) junior, and a long-term member of the National Society of SAR, and Jack M. Bryan, of Geneva, who will receive a 25-year member pin and certificate.

Mrs. Deal is the daughter of Elmer and Janet Deal, and will represent the Wiregrass Chapter in the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration contest on Feb. 27 at the

1999 convention of the Alabama Revolution, SAR, to be held in Auburn.

Mr. Bryan joined the SAR during 1968 based on the military service of his ancestor Philip Mathews, who was a private with Colonial forces in Virginia during the time of the American Revolution.

The featured speaker will be Dr. Kenneth Chancey of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will hold a special luncheon meeting on Saturday, Feb. 27 at 11:30 a.m. at the Citizens Bank community room in Enterprise.

The featured speaker will be Dr. Richard A. Kemp, president of the Wiregrass Chapter at 774-9965; R. Fuller - 347-4213; or John R. Wallace - 347-0661.

Annual Winter Carnival to be held at New Brockton Elementary

The New Brockton Elementary School PTO announces its annual Winter Carnival and extends an invitation to everyone in the community and in neighboring communities to attend. The carnival will be held Feb. 25 from 5:30 p.m. until

The carnival will feature many activities, including face painting, a cake walk, games, ring toss and many more games, plus lots of food.

Raffle tickets to give away \$100 can be purchased at the carnival for \$1 or by contacting any New Brockton Elementary student beginning Friday, Feb. 12. The drawing will be held at approximately 6:30 p.m., but you do not have to be present to win.

There will be an auction at 6:30 p.m. Many of the items up for bid are donations from local merchants and families.

The school nurse will be offering blood pressure screenings for the cost of one ticket.

Money raised at the carnival will be used to help fund the programs that the New Brockton Elementary School uses to enhance the children's education. Some of the programs which will benefit from the carnival are the Accelerated Readers Program and the music program.

CONTESTANTS WANTED!!
Diamond USA Baby Contest and Beauty Pageant

Feb. 21, 2:00 P.M.
Enterprise Civic Center

Boys 0 - 6 Yrs. Girls 0 - 27 Yrs.

Forms may be picked up at The Elba Clipper or by calling 334/566-7651

Qualify to win \$2,000

Relay For Life Benefit Pageant to be held in Enterprise

The Third Annual Coffee County "Relay for Life" Benefit Pageant will be held April 3 at 6 p.m. in the Multi-purpose room at Enterprise State Junior College. It is a "Sunday dress" event and categories include Baby "Relay for Life," Ages 0-2; Tiny Miss "Relay for Life," Ages 2-4; Little Miss "Relay for Life," Ages 5-7; Petite Miss "Relay for Life," Ages 8-11; Junior Miss "Relay for Life," Ages 12-15; and Miss "Relay for Life," Ages 16-20. All proceeds go to benefit the American Cancer Society. Registration fee is \$20 and admission to the pageant is \$3. For more information contact Elaine Stuckey at 347-9444 or 347-1542 or Ida Guthrie at 347-0861 or 347-4949.

Briar Patch Garden and Gift Shoppe will SAY IT ALL Beautifully Wrapped... We'll Even Deliver It For You!!!!

Stop in and make your selection from newly arrived merchandise for Easter & Mother's Day.

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Three-In-One Club hears Children's Choir

The Three-In-One Study Club held its regular monthly meeting in the Elba City Library on Feb. 4.

Mrs. Joan Ross, minister to students at Elba First Baptist Church, directed a group of younger students in a creative movement to the song "Hallelujah" by Chris Rice. She

read Psalm 19:1-4 as an introduction to the movement.

Members and guests showed their enjoyment and appreciation by requesting an encore by the group.

Children participating were: Meredith Brunson, Shelby Brunson, Sydney Brunson, Kayla Homayak,

Chafin Johnson, Hannah Miller, Jason Johnson, Ryan McCollough, Megan Sullivan, Lindsey Sikes, Savannah Sikes, Cameron Irwin, Catherine Irwin, Ashley Carney, Gabby Pope.

After a short business session, the meeting adjourned.

Landmark Park seeking volunteers for docent training

Landmark Park in Dothan is seeking volunteers to work as docents on the Wiregrass Farmstead during special events and education programs. The park will offer a training workshop on Saturday, Feb. 27 at 9

a.m. Docents serve as general interpreters in the farm demonstrating turn-of-the-century domestic skills such as quilting, sewing, open hearth and wood stove cooking, soap making and clothes washing. To reserve a space in the workshop, or for more information, call the Landmark Park at 794-3452.

Miss March Pageant to be held March 7th

Come have fun with us! Miss March Pageant, March 7 at the Enterprise Civic Center. Judges score sheets and comment sheets will be available! For more information please call Teressa Durton at (334) 347-2848. If no message, leave a message.

Chapter # 2534 United Daughters of the Confederacy to hold Special Luncheon

The Gen. Edmund W. Rucker Chapter #2534 of The United Daughters of the Confederacy will hold a special luncheon meeting on Saturday, Feb. 27 at 11:30 a.m. at the Citizens Bank community room in Enterprise.

The featured speaker will be Dr. Richard A. Kemp, president of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. A ceremony will be conducted to award three World War II Crosses of Military Service and the Korean Service Cross. These decorations will be bestowed on three veterans who are direct lineal descendants of a Confederate veteran.

Anyone wishing to attend the luncheon or desiring information about the UDC may contact Shirley Edberg (894-6120) or Lavina Helms (347-6150).

"A Celebration of Dance" to be presented

March 7th in Dothan

Southeast Alabama Dance Company, along with the Alabama Ballet, will present "A Celebration of Dance" Sunday, March 7 at the Dothan Civic Center at 2:30 p.m.

The Alabama Ballet, a professional company from Birmingham, will perform Act II of "Copelia" and a famous classic pas de deux.

The other half of the program will be performed by the Southeast Alabama Dance Company. They will perform an all-new story ballet to the classic fairytale of "Maddeline." Three new works that are jazz and contemporary style choreographed exclusively for SEADAC will also be performed.

Tickets are \$15 reserved seating. \$10 reserved seating is available for children, 12 and under and senior citizens, 60 and older. To order tickets, call the ticket chairman at 793-1722 or the SEADAC office at 702-7139.

A reception to meet the guests from the Alabama Ballet will be held immediately following the performance. It will be held in the upstairs lobby of the Dothan Civic Center and tickets are \$10.

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SCHOOLS

FBLA Week

by Cristy Houston

The Future Business Leaders of America and Phi Beta Lambda set aside the second week of February as FBLA-PBL Week, and chapters across the nation, in Puerto Rico, and in Europe prepare activities for the week.

On Wednesday, the members of the Zion Chapel Chapter were asked to dress in blue and yellow or gold. Each member was also given a name tag to wear on their shirts. Officers distributed grab bags to all the teachers. The bags were filled with various items.

On Thursday the monthly meeting was held. During the meeting members made cards and flyers that could be hung in the hall for \$1. All the money raised was donated to the March of Dimes Foundation. Also, members were given a Valentine pencil, a heart-shaped eraser, and a note pad.

FHA Meeting

by Kendra Ward

The Zion Chapel Chapter of FHA held its monthly meeting Feb. 10 in the auditorium of the high school.

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. with President Angie Laney presiding. There were 56 members present and one guest.

President Angie Laney opened the meeting over to Ray Johnson. She discussed the need and the club was going to sponsor. Students will be selling "Precious Moments" merchandise including figurines and candy. The fund-raiser will begin Wednesday, Feb. 10, and will end Wednesday, Feb. 17. Students who sell \$100 or more will be rewarded with a pizza party. The top sales person will be given \$20.

The members were also reminded of the state meeting which will be held April 9. Dress clothing must be worn. No jeans are allowed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

BE CAREFUL!

16th Annual Birmingham Southern Honor Band

by Angie Laney

Stacey Cape and Angie Laney attended the Sixteenth Annual Birmingham Southern Honor Band held Feb. 5-7.

Angie and Stacey were chosen for the honor band by teacher recommendation and by their leadership abilities in the band. They participated in this band along with 93 other teenagers from different schools throughout Alabama.

Upon arriving at the campus, where the honor band was held, students participated in try-outs. Later, the rehearsals were held and the placements of chairs were announced.

The director of the band was Dr. Sydney McCay from the University of Memphis. He was the director of the First Annual Birmingham Southern Honor Band. The pieces he directed were "Lustpiel"



Rebel News Briefs

ZC STUDENT ON THE ANN VARNUM SHOW

by Angie Lane

FHA/HERO Student President Angie Lane appeared on the Ann Varnum Show, Monday, Feb. 8, to celebrate the first day of National FHA/HERO week. The show was aired live on WTVY Channel 4 at 7:15 a.m. On the show, Angie was asked questions about FHA and why she wanted to be state president. Angie also discussed the activities that would be going on during FHA week. The interview lasted about five minutes.

FHA WEEK CELEBRATED

by Kendra Ward

Students at Zion Chapel High School celebrated FHA Week, Feb. 8-14. Activities started with Angie Lane appearing on the Ann Varnum Show on Monday. On Tuesday, students came to school early to prepare a breakfast for the high school and elementary faculties. On Wednesday, the FHA meeting was held and students were reminded of FHA week. And on Thursday the members of FHA got goody bags filled with candy for their participation in FHA. Although Friday was a holiday, Angie Laney spoke at a mother/daughter banquet at Homewood High School as part of FHA week.

POWERPOINT

by Carissa Walker

The members of the ninth grade class got to experience a different way of organizing information. Coach Mark Coale showed his class a PowerPoint presentation to make their learning more fun. The presentation included outlines, pictures, animation, and even some music. PowerPoint is a program that teaches you how to create graphs and tables, organize charts, and produce professional presentations. In PowerPoint, you gain experience that can be applied to problems you may face in the real world.

TESSELLATIONS

by Michael McRory

Mrs. McRory's eighth grade Pre Algebra class is studying tessellations. Tessellations are a repetitive pattern of polygons that fit together with no holes or gaps. Her students had to draw tessellations on graph paper. Each student started out with a square. Then, they drew lines through the square to separate it into four regions. Next, students redrew the figure by moving each piece diagonally so that the corners of the original square met. This is the figure that the students used to make the tessellation. The students colored their graph paper with this figure, and then they colored them with markers, crayons, or pencils. No two tessellations were alike. The tessellations are being displayed in Mrs. McRory's room.

OVERTURE

"Nocturne", "Explorations", "The Flying Eagle March", "Prelude on a Hymn of Praise", and the "Ascension". After the concert the band presented Dr. McCoy with a gift to thank him for his work and dedication.

Coffee County Schools Menu Feb. 22 - 26, 1999

BREAKFAST

Monday - Cheese Toast, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tuesday - Chicken & Biscuit, Syrup or Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Wednesday - Cheese Grits, Toast, Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Thursday - French Toast Sticks, Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Friday - Ham & Biscuit, Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk

LUNCH

Monday - Chicken Nuggets, Pepperoni Pizza, Corn Nuggets, Broccoli Spears, Pear Cider, Milk
Tuesday - Fried Chicken, Hamburgers, Tossed Salad, Mexican Corn, Fruit, Cookies, Rolls, Milk
Wednesday - Corn Dog Nuggets, Roast Beef Sandwich, Onion Rings, Whole White Potatoes, Fruit, Milk
Thursday - Chili, Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Tater Tots, Vegetable Stix w/ Dip, Crackers, Fruit, Milk
Friday - Beef/Veg. Soup, Fish Nuggets, Stewed Baked Beans, Cornbread Muffins, Fruit, Milk

ZC Grandparents Visit Elementary Classes



Pictured above (l-r) are: standing - Barbara Amlong, Ben Amlong, Betsy Dismukes, and Grover Wilson; Seated - Sybil Hines, Genevieve Wilson, and Elouise Donn.

by Alisha Walker

Mrs. Shirley Goodson teaches the Griffon program to kindergarten through fourth grade. She teaches one section per grade level on alternate weeks. Mrs. Deborah Herron is the elementary counselor. She sent the unit on family in the drug-ed and guidance lessons, they had Grandparent's Day. Letters were sent to each child's grandparent or grandparents, inviting them to come eat lunch with their grandchild. They had to sign and return the form, along with \$2 per person.

Approximately 200 grandparents attended the special occasion. They visited from about 10:30 a.m. until 12:10 p.m. The lunch menu included turkey and turnips. Some grandparents visited in the classrooms for the Valentine's parties. Others spoke to classes about their lives as students and what school was like "way back when."

Zion Chapel Campus Beauties K Thru 12th Grade Chosen In Recent Pageant

by Charlie Maddox

The Campus Beauty Pageant was held recently, and it included four separate categories: "Little Miss," "Teen Miss," "Campus Beauty," and "Junior Miss." They were divided up by grades: K-3, 4-6, 7-9, and finally 10-12. Three winners were chosen from each category with the exception of the Elementary Miss which had four.

The winner of the Little Miss was Leana Jordan Vinson. Leana is the daughter of Ricky and Ginger Vinson. She has blonde hair and hazel eyes. She is seven years old and in the second grade. Her hobbies include working in her garden, reading, and playing with her dog, Lady. She is working on her computers and visiting the nursing home. Her favorite show are "I Love Lucy" and "Happy Days". Her favorite singer is Deana Carter. The beach is her favorite place and the Bible is her favorite book. The first runner-up was Brooke Stinson. She is the daughter of Dale and Sharon Stinson. She is nine years old and in the third grade. The second runner-up was Summer Parker. She is the daughter of Suzanne and Greg Parker. She is nine years old and in the third grade.

The winner of the Elementary Beauty was Kenneth Roberts. Kenneth is the daughter of Phillip and Stacy Roberts. She is 12 years old and in the fifth grade. She has blonde hair and hazel eyes. Her hobbies include riding horses, cheerleading, and playing softball. Her favorite movie is "101 Dalmatians". Her favorite song is "Never Ever" by All Saints. In the future she plans to attend the University of Alabama and become a NFL head coach. The first runner-up was Keri Hobbs. She is the daughter of Joan Hobbs. She is 10 years old and in the fifth grade. The second runner-up was Erica Ellis.

The Zion Chapel Varsity Boys went to Dothan to play the Houston Academy Raiders in the first round of the area tournament for the Varsity Boys. The Raiders won 70-45. The Raiders led at the half 34-19. Junior Jones led the Rebels in scoring with 13 points. Josh Grantham added 12 points. Other scorers for the Rebels were John Arnold with 6, Bo Addison with 5, Justin Law with 4, Josh Faircloth with 3, and Jason Speer with 2 points. The Rebels were 1-8 from the free throw line and committed 10 team fouls.

ZC LADY REBELS BASKETBALL ZC vs Houston Academy

by Chan Grantham and Bo Adkinson

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels went to Dothan for an area tournament and played the Houston Academy Raiders in the first round.

The Raiders won 72-49. Rebecca Kidd led the Rebels with 22 points. Kayla Eddins scored 15, Kendra Ward scored 8, Jessica Kelley and Crystal Boyd had 2 points each. The Rebels were 3-17

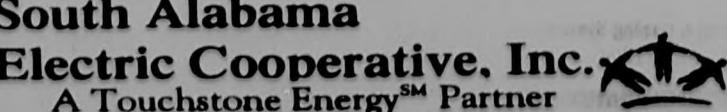
from the free-throw line and committed 18 team fouls.

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SPORTS

Views from ...

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz

Melanie received a small television set for Christmas, and while I thought the whole purpose of the TV was to let her play Nintendo, it turned out that I was wrong when we put the TV in her room and hooked up the cable. Instead of Dad and Melanie up front watching TV at night, it was just Melanie, as Melanie stayed in her room and watched her own shows. After we explained that the TV wasn't to be turned on until after she finished her homework and took a bath, I began to worry about which of the cable networks she might watch, and told her the channels she was not to watch. Well, it turned out there was nothing to worry about, because her favorite shows are "I Love Lucy" and "Bewitched," with more of the old comedies coming in close behind. Maybe she isn't so bad after all!

14-B-TIGERS CLOSE SEASON WITH OVERTIME LOSS

The Elba Tigers saw their season come to a disappointing end Friday night with an overtime loss in sub-region action to the heavily favored Calhoun Hornets, in Calhoun. The Tigers were dispatched to the Lowndes County school after placing second in the area tournament, and were given little chance of winning, especially since the Hornets had blasted the Tigers 95-76 only a year ago in the same round of the playoffs. This time around the Tigers gave the Hornets all they could handle, and could have easily brought home the win and a berth in this week's Southeast Regionals, at Troy State. It went down in the books as a loss and left the Tigers with a final record of 16-12; however, the Tigers gave a winning effort in a very hostile environment, and to be congratulated on their effort.

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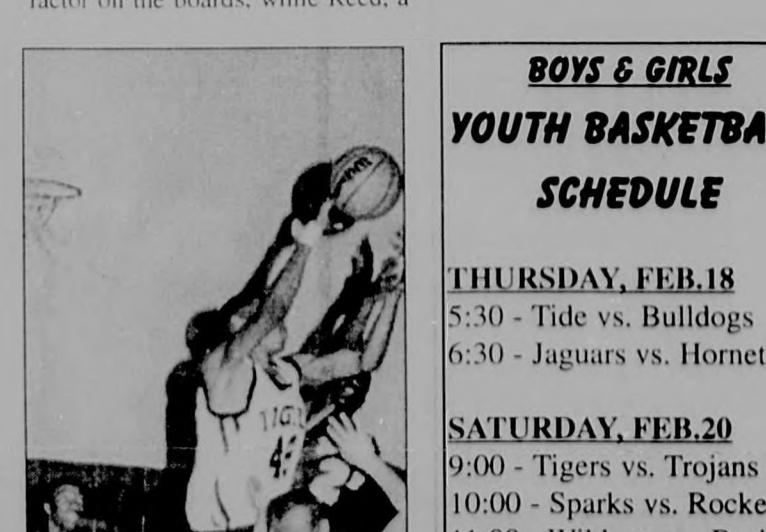
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Riders will have a
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**Elba's Tim Ware (42) soars to pull
down rebound during action in last
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Clayton rallied in second half

Tigers fall in area finals 61-48

The Elba Tigers battled the Clayton Tigers on even terms throughout the opening two quarters last Tuesday night, but fell victim to the Clayton press and countless turnovers in the second half as they were defeated 61-48, in the finals of the Class 3A, Area 3 Basketball Tournament.

The loss left Elba with a 16-11 record, while Clayton improved to 10-10 with the win.

Elba jumped out to an early 2-0 lead on a driving lay up by Wayne Reed, but Clayton responded to score again for over five minutes, as Elba took an 8-2 advantage with 2:13 left in the opening stanza.

Back-to-back buckets by Elba's Derrick Duncan and Mark Wicker enabled the Tigers to pull within 8-6 with 1:19 left in the quarter, only to see Clayton answer the rally with a 6-0 run of its own to take a 14-6 lead after one quarter of play.

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Ambushes Southern Choctaw Indians

New Brockton advances with 52-49 sub-regional win

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The win improved the Gamecocks' record to 22-8 and earned them a berth in the Southwest Region Tournament, in Bay Minette, while Southern Choctaw closed its season with a 15-8 record.

The Gamecocks jumped out to an 8-2 lead with 5:15 left in the quarter, and the Indians took their biggest lead of the night at 26-19 with 3:28 left on a three-point bomb by Michael Kirksey.

A driving lay-up by Pete Harrison stopped the Indian rally, and the Gamecocks moved on top 50-47 with 1:21 left on a pair of free-throws by Kellen Cole.

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Kellen Cole nailed a jumper from the corner and then hit nothing but net on a three-pointer as the Gamecocks pulled back within 51-49 at 1:16 still left in the quarter, and New Brockton finally sneaked ahead with :23 left on the clock when Andre Flowers hit a 3-point shot to grab a 21-16 lead with 5:42 left in the third quarter.

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Plane Restorations bring history to Elba

by Linda Hodge

History is being rekindled in Elba through the restoration of planes whether they be old war birds, the classics or replicas.

Mike Haynes, owner of Wing Nuts Aircraft ReBuild, has been involved with aviation nearly all his life, and began his plane restoration business almost two years ago.

Although Haynes has been a commercial rated pilot since 1975, he said he spent much of his career in airport management instead of flying. Piloting has always been a hobby for him and now work... And it was his fascination and love for aircraft that led to his current trade.

"(plane restoration) is not anything I set out to do," Haynes said. "I've always been an avid modeler, and I got into this business sort of



Mike Haynes (left) along with other Wing Nuts employees put the wings on this full-size replica of a 1913 Morane-Saulnier N last Friday.

Committee organized to honor bicentennial anniversary of George Washington's death

Organization of a Coffee County committee to coordinate 1999 activities tied to the bicentennial anniversary of President George Washington's death has been completed.

Members are leaders of the John Coffee Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and Wiregrass Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, both local organizations. The local group will be called the Coffee County (Ala.) George Washington Bicentennial Committee.

Members from the John Coffee Chapter are: Mrs. Nell Gilmer, regent; Elba; Mrs. Elsie Hilton, vice regent; New Brockton; Mrs. Charlotte Hobson, past regent; Elba; Wiregrass Chapter; Richard A. Kemp II, president; Ozark; John Ray Fuller, vice president; Enterprise; John R. Wallace, Secretary/treasurer; Enterprise.

Plans call for area mayors to sign proclamations for citizen observance; presentations of children's books about Washington to city libraries, and community meetings.

Interested persons may call Mrs. Gilmer or Mr. Kemp for more information.

Coffee County farmers selected for national financial study

Several local Coffee County farmers will be selected to participate in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) annual Agricultural Resource Management Study.

This study will collect information on agricultural income and expenses, assets and liabilities, cost of producing various commodities, and other farm characteristics.

Herb Vanderberry, state statistician with the Alabama Agricultural Statistics Service in Montgomery

haphazardly."

He said people would see his modeling work and began asking him to do things for them. That soon led to a suggestion that he restore planes for a living.

"This is one of those planes you look at and think about. Amelia Earhart or other famous pilots from our past," Haynes said while admiring the Fairchild. "I was amazed by

the beauty of this piece of aircraft when we flew her in earlier this week."

He said many people want the planes restored so they can have them for "fun flying" in their spare time. He even mentioned one man who is having a plane restored so he can teach his children how to fly.

Although his hangar currently contains several old planes like the Morane-Saulnier awaiting restorations, Haynes said he will restore any model of plane. He said it just seems as if he is attracting the older

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on doing this," said Haynes. "I do enjoy it, and it makes me feel good knowing that I am able to restore this aircraft for show and/or use."

Maybe it is said best in the Wing Nuts motto, "We make legends fly!"



This 1937 Fairchild 24 which recently flew in to the Elba Airport has been completely restored. It is currently occupying one of the airport's hangers.

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